

For me no story outside the scriptures has a finer Christmas message than O. Henry's "The Gift of the Magi"—and I note that Collier's magazine has reprinted it in the issue for December 22.

Do you remember it? Here's a paragraph from the immortal tale of a young couple facing Christmas with no money to buy each other gifts:

"Now there were two possessions of the James Dillingham Youngs in which they both took a mighty pride. One was Jim's gold watch that had been his father's and his grandfather's. The other was Della's hair. Had the Queen of Sheba lived in the flat across the airshaft, Della would have let her hair hang out the window some day to dry just to deprive Her Majesty's jewels and gifts. Had King Solomon been the janitor, with all his treasures piled up in the basement, Jim would have pulled out his watch every time he passed, just to see him pluck at his beard from envy."

And so, unbeknownst to one another, she cut off her beautiful hair and sold it for money with which to buy Jim a chain for his magnificent watch—while Jim pawned the watch to buy Della a set of combs for her hair.

The Arkansas Children's Home and Hospital, 804 Wolfe Street, Little Rock, sends out a circular on the number of days spent there by crippled children from all the counties—and I learn that Hempstead's total of 429 ranks high.

For instance, Howard county's total was only 35, and Nevada's 92. Hope and Hempstead county should remember the Little Rock institution with donations before closing out income tax records at the year-end. As far as I know there never has been any appeal for organized support down here—but any county with a total of 429 child-hours in the hospital certainly has a financial obligation.

The poor we will always have with us, and for some types of poverty there is no cure—but the sight of a crippled child stirs solvent adults to action. Surgery has done some remarkable things toward making damaged youngsters whole again—I know of no other place where a little money can do so much good, for the child, for our own satisfaction this Christmas time, and for the future of our country.

Answer that Little Rock hospital's appeal today.

Can you imagine a republic with no Mr. President?

Well, they've got good imaginations down in the little South American democracy of Uruguay. A dispatch from Montevideo reports that Uruguay was voting this weekend on a proposition to abolish the presidency and set up in its place a Swiss-type council of nine men.

A paragraph from the Associated Press story is significant: "The proposed new system of government is modeled after that of Switzerland. Its advocates say it is designed to safeguard Uruguay's democratic tradition and generally firm economy. These advocates argue that there would be less invitation for an appeal to revolution and strong-man rule if the minority were represented on an executive council."

Well, what do you know about that—no President.

And patterned right after Switzerland, which was a democracy before America was even discovered. It looks like some of our Latin neighbors are getting back to their mentalities—looking after the rights of individual men—while the poor old U. S. A. still chases the rainbow of almighty high office.

Former Hope Student Rhodes Scholar Is

West Point Cadet Charles Ross Wallis, 23, of Malvern was named Sunday as one of four persons from the Gulf States Area to win a Rhodes Scholarship for study at Oxford University, England. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Wallis of Malvern.

He is a former pupil of Hope Public Schools and was taught by Mrs. B. C. Hyatt in the third grade in 1936 and 1937.

Markets

(Morning Farm Prices)
Cotton futures opened thirty-five to \$1.60 a bale higher. The grain market moved higher in a pretty fair volume of trade. Hogs are steady to twenty-five cents higher and cattle are steady. Wholesale meat was unchanged.



Winter Has New Terrors on the Way

By The Associated Press

Winter has new terrors on the way, timed to arrive consecutively behind the great blanket of frost that has covered the country east of the Rocky Mountains since Friday.

The Weather Bureau in Chicago today said a storm center is developing east of the Rockies. It will bring snow to the North, sleet and freezing rain a little farther to the south. Moving in behind it will be a new great cold from Canada, already touching northern Montana. There will be only scattered areas of moderation of the weather that has exacted a toll of at least 117 lives since Friday.

Lowest reading this morning—23 below—was recorded at Bismarck, N. D., and Rumford, Me.

Sub-freezing temperatures were felt even in the deep South. Serious damage to Florida citrus and vegetable growing areas was averted only because the cold air swerved eastward so that it covered only the northern part of the state. It got down to five above in North Carolina, 12 in South Carolina. Two persons died of cold in Georgia.

School officials at Erie, Pa., called off classes after the temperature hit zero Sunday night and continued to fall.

The storm cold death toll included: Oklahoma 1; Kansas 4; Missouri 3 Tennessee 4.

Magnolia Man Drowns in '27 Cutoff Near Hope

By The Associated Press

Six persons died violently in Arkansas over the weekend, boosting the state's weekly fatality toll to 12.

Six of the week's deaths were caused by traffic accidents. Russellville Police Judge Craig U. Bailey died in a Little Rock hospital Sunday from injuries sustained when his car overturned near Russellville last Tuesday.

The 36-year-old jurist was the son of former Lt. Gov. Bob Bailey and the brother of State Sen. Bob Bailey Jr., both of Russellville. W. H. Parker, 36, of Jacksonville was killed Sunday when a car in which he was riding left highway 67 a mile and a half south of Jacksonville Pulaski County and overturned.

An England woman died en route to a Little Rock hospital after she was carried unconscious from her apartment Sunday afternoon. Police Chief Joe Foster said Mrs. Erwin Morgan died from suffocation. He said a gas heater in Mrs. Morgan's bedroom was burning full blast and that the room was exceedingly hot.

A 25-year-old Magnolia salesman drowned Saturday night in 27 cut off lake near Lewisville when the boat in which he and two others were riding capsized. He was Richard Jarrott.

An El Dorado infant perished Saturday when fire destroyed his family's two room home. He was four-month-old Clifford Everett Moore. Four other children escaped.

In Little Rock, Uvern Holmes, aged 28, was shot to death in an argument with a woman, said Police Lt. E. M. Rhodes. Lt. Rhodes said he has arrested Willie Beasley for questioning in the slaying.

Chicago Has 150 Fires, Two Die

Chicago, Dec. 17 (AP)—Some 150 fires on Chicago's coldest Dec. 16 on record drove more than 550 persons from their homes, took two lives, and caused an estimated \$800,000 property damage.

Two extra alarm fires emptied Negro occupants of an apartment building and a hotel on Chicago's South Side into 12 degrees below zero weather. The buildings were destroyed at loss estimated by firemen at \$150,000. Of the 250 occupants, about 100 were children. One baby was treated for exposure.

The fires were only three blocks apart.

An explosion and fire in a trailer home near suburban Morton Grove killed Douglas Roberts, 30, Aviation Mechanist First Class stationed at Glenview Naval Air Station, and his wife, Dorothy, 29. Firemen blamed a butane gas stove.

Firemen reported some 150 fires in the Chicago area and said three quarters of the city's fire apparatus was in action at one time during the day. They estimated damage caused by over-heated stoves and furnaces and faulty chimneys at \$500,000.

A third extra alarm fire caused an estimated \$150,000 damage to a South Side warehouse.

Invented Saw
Talus, the Greek, is said to have invented the saw when he found the jawbone of a snake and employed it to cut through a small piece of wood.

Large Biorseth Plantation, Ranch Near Hope Purchased by Ned Purtle for \$81,200

Parking Meters in Hope Net Over \$21,000 First Year

During the first year, just ended, Hope's parking meters took slightly more than \$21,000.

This figure is divided — half going to the city for upkeep of the streets and half to pay for the parking meters. It will take about three years to pay out the meters.

The take the first year averaged better than \$400 per week or about the figure expected when the meters were installed. Under an existing law all this money must be spent for street improvement and cannot be diverted to other city departments.

A-Bomb Tests to Bring New War Weapons

Washington, Dec. 17 (AP)—Military scientists expect the recent experimental underground atomic explosion in Nevada to have far-reaching effect on both battlefield tactics and strategic bombing.

The research information obtained in the test explosion on Nov. 29 at the Frenchman Flats proving grounds is presumed to be used for development of a dual purpose nuclear weapon for use in blasting out subterranean strongholds on a war front or destroying underground factories or military headquarters in an enemy homeland.

The armed forces already have let it be known there are at least two obvious methods for delivering such an earthquake producing weapon: through use of an atomic warhead either on a conventional deep penetration bomb dropped from high altitude by a plane or on a guided missile, fired in high trajectory to produce deep penetration of the earth as it drops groundward almost vertically.

From preliminary tests conducted at a Utah proving ground in which standard TNT explosives were used in large quantity, the military already had some idea of results to expect from the Nevada atomic test.

Thus the weapons had reasons to believe, even before they detonated the atomic charge in Nevada, that several militarily useful features would be produced. Among them was the area of primary blast destruction, the crater caused by the explosion; cracks in the earth which, radiating out from the crater, would damage or destroy underground or surface structures; shock admitted through the earth to destroy or damage structures, equipment within structures, or both.

But another factor could not be determined with certainty until an actual atomic explosion was tested. How much residual radioactivity would be produced by setting off a nuclear fission detonation underground and how long would this poison persist in the debris of the crater? This could be an advantage in the bombing of an underground factory, denying the area or its equipment to enemy use for some time. But it could be a disadvantage in a battlefield, where friendly forces might want to move into the area quickly.

Photographs and reports by unaffiliated observers who saw the blast from a distance made it plain the final shot of the series at the Nevada test site was a subterranean explosion. A large mass of dark colored smoke and dust welled up, but instead of forming the conventional mushroom cloud it sprawled out into a comparatively low flying, elongated cloud.

Atomic Energy Commission Chairman Gordon Dean told a news conference last week that "very vital things" had been learned in the Nevada tests which were being incorporated into the atomic weapons program.

When asked about an underground explosion, Dean replied that "a little later maybe we can tell more about what happened at Nevada."

An atomic bomb or missile tailored in its casing and fuzing especially for underground explosion apparently would go into the "variety" of weapons which Government officials say constitute the American atomic arsenal.

Congressmen See Bank Caveins
Conway, Dec. 17 (AP)—Two Arkansas congressmen and Army engineers inspected bank cave damage along the Arkansas river Saturday, and Rep. Brooks Hays (D-Ark.) commented:

"Now Rep. Jim Trimble and I can go back to Washington and tell Congress that we have seen with our own eyes what damage an uncontrolled river can do."

Autos Heavily Damaged in Wreck on 67

An auto driven by Roy G. Willis of Texarkana collided with another driven by O. B. Hamilton of Fulton, last night near Sprudell, west on Highway 67.

Investigating State Officer Guy Downing said Willis passed Hamilton on the right hand side, thinking it was a 4-lane highway. The cars collided and Willis was charged with improper passing.

Both vehicles were heavily damaged. John Cunningham assisted Downing with the investigation.

Prisoner Issue Reason for No Peace Progress

Munsan, Korea Dec. 17 (AP)—Three negotiators haggled over prisoner exchange and armistice supervision again today. A United Nations spokesman said results were "absolutely negative."

"No progress" said the U. N. communique.

Only 10 days remain before the provisional cease fire line across Korea expires.

Brig. Gen. William P. Nuckolls, U. N. spokesman, said the Reds have not asked for an extension beyond the Dec. 27 deadline. Neither have the Allies.

"There is no question of extension of any time limit or anything," Nuckolls said. "This was just a trial offer, you might say."

Nuckolls said the time limit was proposed by the United Nations command to hasten agreement on a truce, but "if the progress made this far is an indication of the effectiveness of the incentive, then I don't think the incentive provided very much incentive."

Under terms of the agreement a provisional 145 mile cease fire line across Korea would become the center of a 2-1/2 mile wide buffer zone if an armistice were signed by Dec. 27. If no agreement is reached before the deadline, the negotiations and the fighting will continue. A new line will be drawn just before a truce is signed to include any battle changes.

An Allied radio broadcast from Tokyo Monday night declared acceptance of Red demands for blanket exchange of war prisoners might sentence some Allied soldiers "to life in Communist slave labor camps."

The broadcast warned "If the Reds continue to play the role of modern slave master and hold out for blind acceptance of their terms they become inescapably destined to become inescapable."

The "voice of the United Nations Command" said the Reds have released a few Allied prisoners at the front as a propaganda move, but only after they have been put through a Communist indoctrination course.

Results of Mondays two subcommittee sessions at Panmunjom were described by Nuckolls as absolutely negative. Both groups agreed to meet again Tuesday at 11 a.m. 9 p.m. EST Monday.

The U. N. spokesman said Communist subcommittee members appeared to be curious about the list of Red prisoners Allied delegates have put on the conference table the past two days. The list covers 2,500 sheets of paper printed on both sides.

The nations are Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Italy, France, Britain, the United States and Belgium. Lebanon and Jordan previously had recognition.

The diplomats handed in notes acknowledging Syria's notice that Col. Fawzi Silo had become the new chief of state, succeeding President Hachem Attasi, who resigned.

Hope Cadet Ends Flight Training At Pensacola

Pensacola, Fla. Dec. 10, Naval Aviation Cadet Billy J. Gentry of the United States Navy took off and landed his SNJ "Texan" trainer six successive times recently aboard the USS Monterey, cruising in the Gulf of Mexico, to complete his aircraft carrier qualifications.

Cadet Gentry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe B. Gentry of 213 North Hervey Street, Hope, enlisted in the Navy in May of 1950 and served until he was accepted in the Naval Aviation Flight Training program. He reported to Pensacola, Florida, "The Annapolis of the Air" in Jan. of 1951 and has completed a stringent schedule in military, academic, physical and flight training.

From Pensacola, he has been sent to advanced training at Corpus Christi, Texas. This will be a four month syllabus in combat type aircraft. Graduation from advanced training will win him the coveted Navy wings of gold.

Crisis Looms in Steel, Wage Conference

Pittsburgh, Dec. 17 (AP)—Steel wage talks headed for a crisis today.

The potent CIO United Steel workers brought its Executive Board and Wage Policy Committee to this steel capital for possibly momentous sessions.

The USW's top strategists may either outline the way to a peaceful settlement or lay the ground work for a nation wide steel strike.

While union leaders huddle here, Washington officials are getting set to wage into the twin problems of wages and prices in an effort to speed signing of a new contract before the Jan. 1 deadline.

Should a walkout be authorized, Cyrus S. Ching, director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, is expected to call industry and union negotiators to Washington.

But if the union decides to withhold its strike threat for a while, Ching may delay arranging bargaining sessions in Washington.

Most likely Ching will wait for word from Vice president Philip Murray meeting here before announcing his plans.

The union has levelled a 22 point demand on the steel industry but all attention is centered on its dealings with U. S. Steel Corp., since that company usually sets the pattern.

The USW wants a substantial wage increase, guaranteed annual wage, union shop and improved incentive and premium pay. Present wage controls provide a pay increase too small to suit Murray.

The steel industry is against any wage boost unless it gets price relief.

Negotiations, begun Nov. 27 on a new contract for workers now earning an average of about \$1.95, made no progress. Murray's answer was to summon the USW Executive Board and Wage Policy Committee.

The 16-man Executive Board is composed of three international officers and 13 district directors. It is the policy making group. The 170-man Wage Policy Committee, composed of the board plus local union representatives, is the ratifying agency of the USW.

The Government moved into the steel situation shortly after Murray summoned his advisors. Two top mediators came here to talk to both sides. They reported back to the U. S. Mediator Service that the situation was serious and a strike possible.

Their report brought an invitation to move future negotiations to Washington. No action was taken on the proposal and the next bargaining session is scheduled for Pittsburgh tomorrow.

Prices are considered the key. If the Government permits price increases satisfactory to the producers, the companies are likely to grant a wage hike.

Local Christmas Program to Be Broadcast

KXAR will inaugurate a week long series of special Christmas broadcasts tonight with the presentation of the First Methodist Church's annual Christmas Cantata at 8 p.m.

The series will continue each evening at 8 p.m. as follows: Tuesday night: Hope High School Glee Club. Wednesday night: Yeger Choral Group. Thursday night: Garret Memorial Baptist Church. Friday night: Hope Gospel Tabernacle. Saturday night: First Christian Church. Sunday 11 a.m. Annual Christmas Cantata, First Presbyterian Church.

Haskell Jones, program director of KXAR, is in charge of this special series.

Sara Lauterbach Is DAR Good Citizenship Girl

Sara Lauterbach, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Lauterbach, has been chosen Good Citizenship Girl and will receive an award from the Daughters of the American Revolution, high school principal.

She competed in an American history examination with other girls. In February she will be guest at a DAR luncheon and the award will be presented to her at commencement.

She was recently elected as a senior beauty and her picture will appear in the 1952 school annual. Miss Lauterbach is secretary of the National Honor Society, president of the Spanish club, a Thespian and FFA member, and a feature editor of the Hi-Lights, school publication.

56 Persons Die in Crash, Probe Is Demanded

Miami, Fla., Dec. 17 (AP)—A defective heater may have caused the crash of the Miami Airlines plane at Elizabeth with the loss of 56 lives.

R. W. Duff, president of the company, said today "it can only be a surmise."

"It may be that the fuel line of the heater became disconnected and sprayed raw gasoline into the engine nacelle."

He reported the plane's departure from Newark was delayed while mechanics worked on the cabin heating system. The outside temperature at the time was the executive.

"The plane was built in 1945 and when we got it, it had only 23 hours 'flying time,' said Duff. "It had a 100 hour mechanical check before it left Miami for New York. It went to Austin, Texas, and Oakland, Calif., then back to Fort Smith, Ark., where it was given a 40 hour check."

From Fort Smith the twin engine airliner flew to New York to begin the fatal flight back to Miami.

Duff said the company carried one million dollars liability insurance on the plane.

"We had \$50,000 on each seat, with a limit of one million," said the official. "That's more insurance than many lines have."

Investigators sought to determine today whether a non-scheduled war surplus airliner was inspected properly before it took off on the cut-rate flight to Florida. It died six minutes later in a fiery crash for all 56 persons aboard.

Smoke poured from the right motor of the twin-engine converted Curtiss Commando as it took off the runway at Newark airport at 3:03 p. m. EST yesterday with its 52 passengers and crew of four.

Capt. C. A. Lyons of Miami, pilot of the doomed plane, tried to bank the ship to return to the field for an emergency landing when the right wing snapped. The plane burst into flame and plummeted into the shallow Elizabeth river.

Those who were not killed instantly were trapped in a flaming wreckage and died as flames as would-be rescuers were held back by the intense heat.

It was the worst air crash of the year and the second worst in the nation's history. Another tragedy was averted yesterday in Amarillo, Tex., when a crippled Trans-World airliner landed safely in a wheat field without injury to any of the 91 persons aboard.

Patrolman Nicholas Bilsky, duty near the Elizabeth crash scene, said the pilot seemed to be searching for a clear place to land in the heavily populated area.

The plane, a modified military plane, was found to be in the roof of a one-story frame dwelling, and the Elizabeth town water works Bilsky said.

"I heard cries from inside the plane," Bill Kaplo of Union City, N. J., said, "but I didn't know what to do."

Joseph O. Fluet, chief of the New York regional office of the civil aeronautics board, hurried to the crash scene to make a preliminary investigation.

"It is self evident," he said, "that the plane started to spin up miles away from the crash site."

Fluet said a conference of federal, state and local officials would be held today to organize an official inquiry.

Fluet said the investigation would seek to determine what "improvements should have been made in the plane before its takeoff and whether they were made."

Union County Prosecutor Edward Cohn said his office would take action if the official investigation showed any criminal negligence on the part of any organization connected with the plane.

The airliner was operated by Miami Airlines, Inc., a non-scheduled carrier operating five planes between New York and Miami. It was the line's first scheduled flight since it started operating in 1946, a company spokesman said.

Safety regulations for non-scheduled airlines are less strict than for scheduled airlines. The CB set, it said, but a maximum off weight is established for type of plane.

The passengers, mostly from New York-New England area, were bound for Tampa and Miami. The dead included two children, two families of four each.

The non-scheduled flight was sold to determine what price of a seat aboard a regular scheduled airline. The plane was to take off at 10 a.m. but was delayed five hours because pairs were made to its heating unit, airline officials said.

Capt. R. W. Duff, president of the line, said the plane was purchased as surplus from the force after World War II and logged 4,000 hours when it took off. The crew members, all of whom were Lyons, Co-pilots J. R. and E. R. Lilly, and the stewardess, Doris L. Holmes, Walter R. Burns, 48, a pilot. Continued on Page 4

SOCIETY

Phone 7-3431 Between 8 A. M. and 4 P. M.

Calendar

Tuesday, December 18
The Hope Country Club will entertain their annual Christmas Dance on Tuesday night, Dec. 18, from 8:30 to 12 o'clock. Hosts and hostesses will be Mr. and Mrs. Lex Helm Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gresham.

The Men of the First Presbyterian Church will entertain the ladies with a banquet at the Harlow Hotel Tuesday night, Dec. 18 at 7:30.

The Azalea Garden Club will have a grab bag sale on Tuesday, Dec. 18, at the Arkansas Louisiana Gas Co. office, South Elm, at 10 a.m. All members are urged to take their gifts to Mrs. Emmett Thompson, 904 South Main, before Tuesday.

The American Legion Auxiliary will hold their annual Christmas party and meeting Tuesday, Dec. 18, at 7:30 at the home of Mrs. Mary Hamm, 910 South Elm. Each member is to bring a gift to exchange and may also bring their own or more of home made candy for the veteran's hospital or deliver it to the home of Mrs. E. O. Wingfield by Wednesday, Dec. 19.

The VFW Auxiliary will meet at the Hut Tuesday, Dec. 18, at 7:30. With all members who promised candy for the Red Cross please bring it to this meeting. The hostesses will be Mrs. George Hosmer and Miss Jack Porter.

Tuesday, December 18
The Brookwood school mothers will meet at the school Tuesday at 6 o'clock to fix the Christmas tree for the children.

The Garland Browne Troop under the leadership of Mrs. M. L. Garland and Mrs. J. W. Franks will meet at the home of Brenda Carol Olfend Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock for their Christmas party. Mrs. Anna Franks will be the hostess. Each member is to bring a gift not to exceed twenty-five cents.

Wednesday, December 19
All members of the VFW and American Legion Auxiliaries and other interested persons are asked to bring gifts of home made candy to the Christmas treat for the veterans at the Army and Navy

capital, Hot Springs to the home of Mrs. E. O. Wingfield 115 North Pine, by 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 19. All boxes should be well wrapped and sealed.

Wednesday, December 19
Mrs. Howard Houghton and Mrs. J. M. Duffie will honor Mrs. Norma Jean Archer, bride-elect of Dean Strand, with a luncheon at the Harlow Hotel Wednesday at 1 o'clock.

The Wisteria Garden Club will have their annual Christmas party on Wednesday, Dec. 19, at 2 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Connie McKee, 704 South Main. Hostesses will be Mrs. Otto Lewis and Mrs. Homer Jones. Each member is requested to bring a gift to exchange. A prize will be awarded for the prettiest decorated package.

The Duffie Garden Club will have a luncheon meeting Wednesday, Dec. 19 at 12:30 at the home of Mrs. P. J. Johnson, East Second with Miss Lillie Allen as co-hostess. Gifts will be exchanged.

Thursday, December 20
The Daffodil Garden Club will meet Thursday at 2 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Duffie Booth with Mrs. Harold Brents as co-hostess. Each member is requested to bring a flower arrangement.

Sunday, December 23
A Christmas "Caroling of Christmas" by Ellen J. Lorenz will be presented at the First Presbyterian Church Sunday morning, Dec. 23, at 11 o'clock.

Notice

Anyone interested in making a pound or more of home made candy for the veteran's hospital contact Mrs. E. O. Wingfield before Wednesday.

The supper for the Fidelis Sunday School Class of the First Methodist Church which was scheduled for Wednesday night has been postponed indefinitely.

Miss Patsy McPherson Honored with Breakfast
Miss Patsy McPherson, bride-elect of James Gray of Texarkana, was honored at a breakfast given by Mrs. Frank Horn and Mrs. Lawrence Martin at Hotel Harlow on December 15 at 8 o'clock.

The table held at the conference a miniature bride placed on a pedestal with white double lock and greenery to form a large wedding ring.

The hostesses presented the honor with a corsage of white carnations and a gift of crystal in her chosen pattern.

Bridal placecards marked places for the following: Miss McPherson, her mother, Mrs. B. B. McPherson, Mrs. Jack Dell, Mrs. Johnny Brunan, Mrs. Harold Hightower of Bradley, Mrs. John McGee, Mrs. William Tolleson, Miss Anne Wilson, and the hostesses.

Miss Johnson Betrothed
To Donald Gay Procter
Mrs. John Whitley of Hevelia, Ark., announces the engagement of her sister, Miss Lena Louise Johnson of Lawdale, Calif., formerly of Delight, Ark., to Donald Gay Procter of Portland, Oregon.

Mrs. Marie Mitchell of Lawdale, Calif., will be matron of honor and Richard Johnson also of Lawdale will serve as best man.

The wedding will be an event of January 18. After the wedding the couple will make their home in Long Beach, Calif.

Garland PTA Has Christmas Meeting
A Christmas program was presented by the Garland School children when the Garland PTA met Wednesday, Dec. 12.

Christmas songs were sung by the first and second grades and a choral scripture reading was given by the third grade. The Christmas program was presented by the fourth, fifth and sixth grades.

Following the program, a business meeting was held. The president's message was given by Mrs. Howard Byers. Mrs. Roy Allison closed the meeting with prayer.

One hundred and fifty members attended the program.

VFW Post and Auxiliary Have Christmas Party
On Friday, December 14 the VFW Post and Auxiliary observed the yuletide season with their annual Christmas party at the hut.

The main event of the evening was the box supper with the prize for the most original box going to Mrs. John Keck. Mrs. Marshall Blackard won the prize for the most beautiful decorated box.

After the supper, Christmas carols were sung by the group with Mrs. Lois Russell accompanying them at the piano.

Games under the leadership of Mrs. Fred Gresham and Mrs. Jett Millican were played with prizes going to the various winners.

The evening's entertainment was climaxed with square dancing by the thirty-four members and guests.

Coming and Going
Mrs. Arthur Martin has returned from Temple, Texas, where she attended the bedside of her husband who is a patient at a Temple hospital.

Gordon Beasley of Henderson State Teachers College, Arkadelphia, was the week end guest of

Governor Dedicates Stephens School

Stephens, Dec. 17 (AP)—Gov. McMath said yesterday that a new school for Negroes here was a "blow for the democratic way of life."

Speaking at dedication ceremonies for the \$200,000 school building, the governor told some 1,000 persons:

"You're making an economic contribution to the community, state and nation. We have no grudge against our young people."

The new school replaces nine frame buildings.

Know How to End War But Who Pays?

Paris, Dec. 17 (AP)—The 12 NATO countries have agreed on what is necessary to prevent a war in Europe but are still scrapping over how much each one should pay to bring it about.

Except for "haggling over the precise wording," the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) temporary committee reached agreement this morning on the content of a 18 page summary of their recommendations for next year.

But voluminous annexes to the summary, giving a country by country report on just how much each must increase its military spending, still have to be approved by the governments.

The summary, according to a NATO spokesman will be in two sections, dealing with economic and military matters. It is to be published tomorrow. The rest will remain secret.

It sets the firm military target for next year that has been asked by General Eisenhower, supreme Allied commander in Europe. This has been variously reported at 30 or 40 combat ready divisions in the field.

The target for 1953 is left in more general terms, and that for 1954 is "even more vague," said the spokesman.

Speculation on McMath's Political Plans

By GORDON BROWN
AP Special Washington Service
Washington, Dec. 17 (AP)—Arkansas in Washington are speculating on the effect of any—whether the tax scandals will have on future plans of Gov. Sid McMath.

McMath is an avowed advocate of another term for President Truman.

He recently stated his case to Mr. Truman on several radio and television programs.

McMath is a prospective candidate for reelection as governor in 1952—a presidential year. It is likely that if Truman's stock is down it'll hurt McMath's chances; if it is up, it'll help those chances. At least this is the thinking of many Arkansas observers in the capital.

Will this situation have any effect on McMath's decision to seek a third term? This is a question of course, which only McMath can answer.

Some observers say that if the President takes drastic action to clean house his popularity would swing upward.

Sen. McClellan (D-Ark), who is inclined to eye Gov. McMath as a possible opponent for his senatorial seat in 1954, has told reporters that as he gauges sentiment in Arkansas, "the people aren't enthusiastic about President Truman running again."

He said the people are "pretty

his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Beasley of Fulton.

Personal Mention
Mr. Arthur Martin is recuperating after a major operation in a hospital in Temple, Texas.

Hospital Notes
Julia Chester
Admitted: Ben Wilson, Hope, Mrs. Zenas Parson, Texarkana, Mrs. Marie Curtis, Hope, Mrs. Mattie Bonn, Hope, Jack Hooten, Hope, Miss Bertie Bennett, Hope, Mrs. R. L. Richards, Hope.

Discharged: Mrs. J. O. A. Bush, Hope, Harry Davis, East St. Louis, Mo., Ed C. Brown, Hope, James Michael Willis, Hope, G. C. Cameron, Hope, Guy Watkins Jr., Hope.

Josephine
Admitted: Mrs. John Herr, Roston, Mrs. A. Z. Turner, Hope.

Discharged: Mrs. D. F. Adeock, Hope.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bain, announce the arrival of a daughter on Dec. 16, 1951.

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Admitted: Callie McDonald, Hope.

Discharged: Flossie Jackson of Hope.

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Court Docket

STATE DOCKET

A. R. Erwin, W. R. Shelby, Osborn Foster, J. H. Hoffman, speeding, forfeited \$5 cash bond.

Wallace Chapman, driving on wrong side of road, forfeited \$5 cash bond.

W. H. Shelby, A. H. Taylor, negligent license, forfeited \$5 cash bond.

Paul McFarland, passing on a hill, forfeited \$5 cash bond.

Roy Wilkes, passing on wrong side of highway, plea guilty, fined \$5.

Jack Willis, failure to yield right of way, plea guilty, fined \$10.

CITY DOCKET

Roy Barnes, disturbing peace, forfeited \$10 cash bond.

John E. Drascher, Robert Haysler, David L. Allen, Dale Kenney, V. M. Donahoe, T. O. Porter, J. W. Watkins, speeding, forfeited \$5 cash bond.

Dick Erwin, blocking road, forfeited \$5 cash bond.

Pauline Hicks, double parking, forfeited \$1 cash bond.

Robert Harber, passing on a hill, forfeited \$5 cash bond.

Meyer Nadler, Richard Jacobi, improper parking, forfeited \$1 cash bond.

Hosea Wallace, improper light, forfeited \$1 cash bond.

Jeas Atkins, drunkenness, plea guilty, fined \$10.

Bill Brant, Henry Smith, Ira Williams, William Perkins, Hal Green, drunkenness, forfeited \$10 cash bond.

CIVIL DOCKET

Young's Grocery vs. Aggie B. Griffin, Temple Cotton Oil Co. vs. Garnish, action for \$94 to on account, judgment for plaintiff by default; garnishment dismissed.

Young's Grocery vs. Rufus Shaw, action on account for \$35.49, judgment by default for plaintiff.

unhappy over the situation," uncovered in the Internal Revenue Bureau.

Unless we get out of office those who have been guilty of perjury in the past, he said, "it will have repercussions in the next campaign."

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Is he supposed to raise her husband's boy alone (his father was a control over him)? The boy has a mean, ugly disposition and is a defiant. Must he have his own way in everything? Must the wife be a mother—tolerate the boy's tantrums, lying, dirty words, angry speech and fault-finding? Is it her duty to put up with all this at home and go to work?

My husband says yes; I don't. I think he was looking for a good thing. He wants a home and none of the expense involved. A mother for his boy but no responsibility. And I'm tired of it! HEARTSICK

Answer: I should think you would be tired of it; to continue the questioning trend, "Have you a backbone or not?" You are very definitely being used as a soft touch and whether you continue

Dear Dorothy Dix: I am 20 years old and planning to become engaged to a boy three months younger than I. We want to be married next summer, but our problem is that he is of a different nationality and insists that at the wedding both his family and mine should be dressed as he wishes (in evening clothes). My family thinks it silly to wear them. Also, at the reception he wants his style of cooking, and my family disagrees on that because they don't like it. This is leading to constant argu-

ments every time we bring up the subject of the wedding.

Answer: It is customary for the bride and her family to set the pattern for a wedding and the reception, with, of course as much consideration for the wishes of the groom's family as can be afforded. When differences as varied as those existing in your case occur, it is practically impossible to compromise. Since your family is paying for the entire affair, they should be the ones to decide what food is to be served, and what the wedding party should wear. Naturally, guests will come attired as they wish, but your people should wear what they wish.

Dear Miss Dix: My mother and father have told me I could follow your advice on this problem. I am 17 and very much in love with a boy 21. We have gone together

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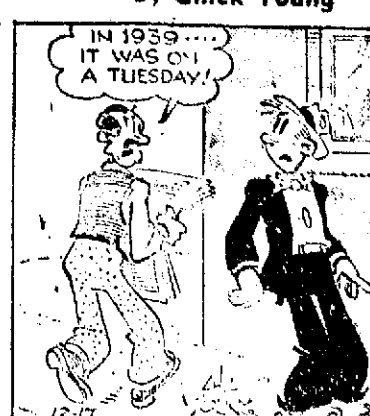
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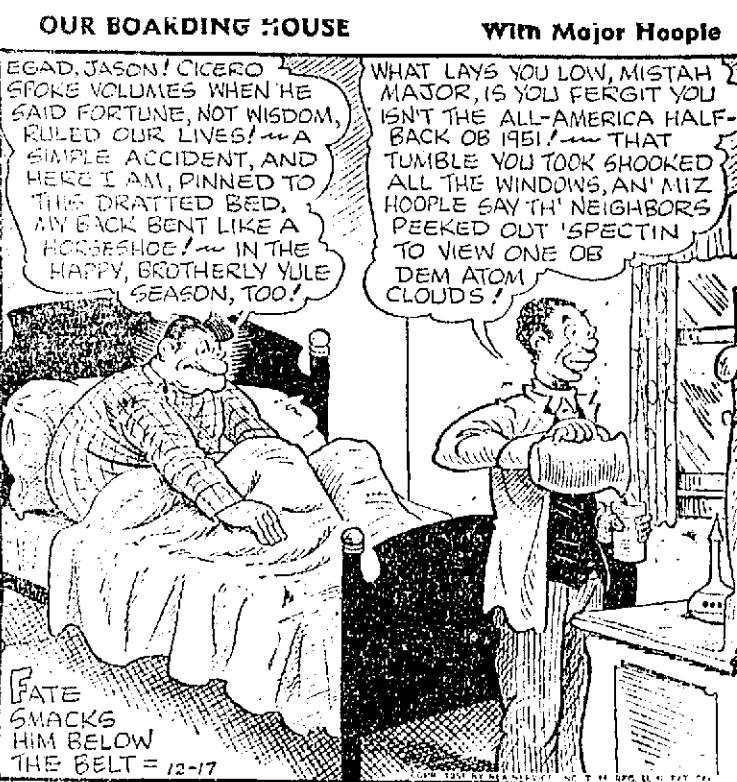
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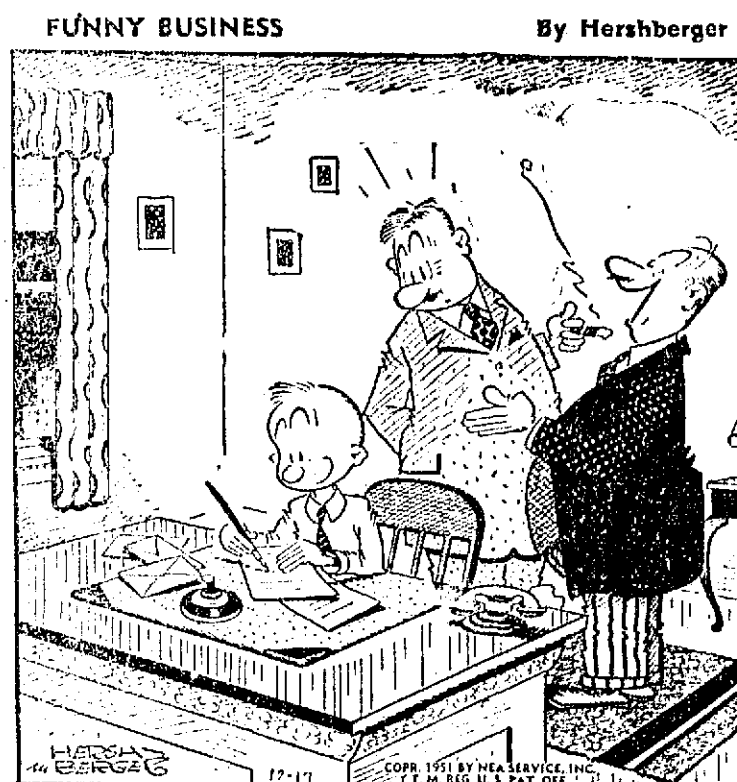
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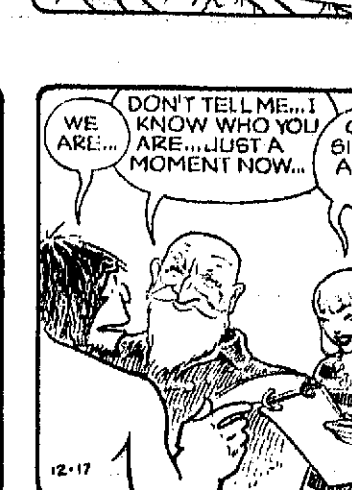
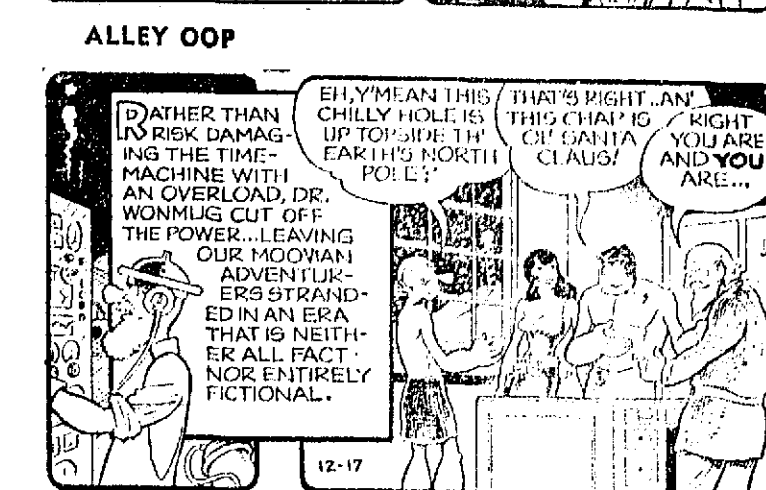
By Dick Turner



"Just a minute—I want to see how the cease-fire talks are coming along!"



"My son's too sophisticated to write to Santa—he's writing to Washington instead!"



"You tell that finicky husband of yours to come down here and complain to my face instead of talking behind my back!"

